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#### (U) NATIONAL

# (U) District of Columbia - Hackers Targeting Power Plants

(U) Washington – The FBI and Department of Homeland Security have sent a warning to operators of the nation's power plants -- nuclear and otherwise -- that hackers are targeting such facilities, following a series of hacks that have targeted that critical sector since May. Administration officials reported the hacks targeted corporate computers of many companies that run nuclear power plants. While nuclear power plant operations were not compromised, the real concern is about the motive of these hacks, which in some cases targeted engineers who worked at the facilities. A critical question is whether the hackers were probing, looking for vulnerabilities or looking for a way in.

SOURCE: 6 July 2017, ABC 6

# (U) Illinois – State Capitol Reopens After Lockdown

(U) Springfield – Authorities say activities can resume at the Capitol after crews investigated a report of hazardous material that delayed a critical budget override vote. An announcement over the loudspeakers in the Illinois House gave legislators and reporters gathered yesterday afternoon the "all clear." The Capitol was on lockdown as fire officials investigated a report of someone throwing a powdery substance in Governor Bruce Rauner's Capitol office. A spokesman for the secretary of state's office, which oversees Capitol security, says no hazardous material was found and the investigation is ongoing. No injuries were reported and no one could enter or exit the building for about two hours. The secretary of state's office has said one person is in custody.

SOURCE: 6 July 2017, FOX 2

# (U) Washington - Delta Flight Turns Around After Passenger Assaults Attendant

(U) Seattle – A flight bound for Beijing turned around yesterday evening after a passenger assaulted a flight attendant. There is no information to suggest there was a security threat, according to a Seattle-Tacoma Airport spokesperson. Delta Flight 129 left the airport and about 45 minutes into the flight a first-class passenger assaulted a flight attendant. Several passengers helped subdue the suspect, and the suspect was restrained on board, according to Delta. The flight turned around and landed back at the airport without incident; police took the suspect into custody.

SOURCE: 6 July 2017, K5 News

# (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Germany – Police Officers Injured in G-20 Protests

(U) Hamburg – At least 76 police officers were injured when violent protesters clashed with police in the streets of Hamburg, Germany, where this week's G-20 summit is set to take place. Three of the officers are being treated at the hospital. One of the injured officers suffered an eye wound after a firecracker exploded in their face. In addition, a police officer and one official were attacked near a fish market in the St. Pauli neighborhood. The two escaped to a rescue vehicle and were not injured. Emergency personnel and their vehicles were also attacked, and the identities of the assailants are not known. A

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portion of the crowd acted in a hostile manner toward officers on the scene, throwing bottles and other objects at them.

SOURCE: 6 July 2017, ABC News

# (U) Mexico – Fight Among Rival Gangs in Prison

(U) Acapulco – Fighting erupted between rival gangs inside a state prison before dawn yesterday, and 28 inmates were killed and three wounded. Authorities had initially reported five deaths, but later raised the toll more bodies were found scattered throughout the prison. A Guerrero state security spokesman said in a statement that the fighting broke out around 4 a.m. He said security forces later regained control and slowly began discovering bodies in a kitchen, a cellblock, and other areas. Guerrero has been one of Mexico's most violent states and the once-glamorous resort of Acapulco has struggled with a high number of killings.

SOURCE: 6 July 2017, ABC News

#### (U) Russia – Hacker Jailed for Reveling Government Officials' Secrets

(U) Moscow – A Russian court sentenced a prominent hacker to two years in jail yesterday after a secret trial which heard how he had accessed and leaked the email accounts of top government officials. The court found Vladimir Anikeyev, named as head of a famous hacking collective called Shaltai Boltai (Humpty Dumpty), guilty of illegally accessing computer data in collusion with a criminal group. The TASS news agency said he was accused of breaking into the email account of Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev's spokeswoman as well as the account of an official in the presidential administration among many others.

SOURCE: 6 July 2017, Reuters

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